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PAST-PRESIDENTS' DAY

HOMEcoming - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13



One of the principal features of Homecoming this year will be the dedication of Varnado Hall at 11:00 o'clock, Saturday morning. The exercises will take place on the spacious veranda and the grounds immediately in front of the building. In the event of inclement weather, the dedication will take place in the reception room.

Speakers for the occasion will be President John S. Kyser, President-Emeritus V. L. Roy, Past-Alumni President C. O. Holland, a representative of the Varnado family, the president of A.W.S., and former president of the College, Mr. A. A. Fredericks, during whose administration Varnado Hall was constructed.

A portrait of Miss Dean Varnado, painted by Mrs. Phyllis Moore of New Orleans, will be unveiled after the ceremonies. The portrait is a gift of the Varnado family.

Alumni Association Celebrates 60th Anniversary

Message From President Kyser

It is with pride that we remind you that this is the sixtieth anniversary of the organization of the Alumni Association. On behalf of the faculty and all other members of the community on the old Hill, each and every alumnus is urged to come back to your college home. Though nothing overshadows the continuing pull of alma mater, there are a number of reasons why the 1954 celebration can and should be outstanding.

First of all there will be the dedication of the building that is a lasting tribute to one of the college's great. Dean E. Varnado lives in the memory of thousands, and there can be no doubt of your satisfaction in having a part in the dedication of Varnado Hall. As a correlated tribute, all of the past presidents of the Alumni Association, and certain classes, are being assigned places of particular honor.

The faculty and staff are indeed having a busy time. You will want to visit with them and to learn at first hand more of what is in the immediate future in regard to the graduate and building programs. But above all, we at the college really believe that your most lasting satisfaction will be in the realm of those vital musings with old friends.

We live in what are truly stirring times. The spirit of will to achieve is here. Come and share in it, and above all give us your

Homecoming, a traditional feature at Northwestern State, will mark three distinct events in the history of the College this November 13. In the first place, 1954 is the 70th anniversary of the founding of the oldest public-supported teacher training institution in the State of Louisiana.

Second in importance, this year is the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the Alumni Association, which was founded in 1894. Composed of graduates and former students numbered in the tens of thousands, the Alumni Association has given every assistance through

the blessing of enthusiasm. Again, 1954 is a year to be remembered.

Sincerely,
John S. Kyser, President

the 60 years of its existence to the betterment, growth, and progress of the institution so revered and loved by each of its constituent members.

Third, and of great importance to the future, 1954 marks the beginning of the Graduate School in Education at Northwestern State College.

PAST-PRESIDENTS TO BE HONORED

It is certainly most proper and fitting that we should take time out this year to honor those men and women who have served as president of the Alumni Association. Of the thirty-three former presidents of the association, at least thirteen are known to be living. It is our sincere wish that all of them may be present at homecoming to receive

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NSC NURSES RESIDENCE IN SHREVEPORT DEDICATED OCTOBER 8



This beautiful Nurses Residence at Confederate Memorial Hospital, housing NSC nurses in training, was dedicated on October 8. Featured speakers were Miss Ellwynne Vreeland, Nurse Consultant, Washington, D. C., President John S. Kyser, and Dr. T. J. Smith, President, Board of Directors of Confederate Memorial Medical Center.

60th Anniversary—

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ceive the plaudits of all who will be present to do them proper honor.

In addition to the past-presidents of the Association, all members of the five-year classes will be honored. These classes will be 1889, 1891, 1899, 1904, 1909, etc., up to and including the class of 1954. Special honorees will be the Class of 1904, on this, the golden anniversary of their graduation, and the Class of 1929, their silver anniversary. **YOU ALL COME.**

A great crowd is expected for Homecoming day. Everyone is urged—and we repeat, **URGED**—to send in his request for reservation for the Alumni Luncheon that will be held in the Main Dining Hall at 12:10 P. M., immediately following the dedication of Varnado Hall. **FILL IN THE BLANK FORM ON THE BOTTOM OF PAGE 4 AND MAIL IT TODAY.** If the chef is to prepare a luncheon for us, it is necessary that he know the approximate number expected.

HOMECOMING EVENTS

Registration and Coffee will begin at 9:00 o'clock in Varnado Hall. The Homecoming Parade will start from the campus at 10:00 o'clock. The dedication of Varnado Hall is scheduled to begin at eleven o'clock, and the Alumni Luncheon will be at 12:10.

Following the luncheon and business session, the crowd will move

to the stadium for the presentation of the Homecoming Queen and her court at 2:00 P. M.

Kick-off time for the football game is 2:30, when the Demons will be hosts to the Bull Dogs of Southwestern Louisiana Institute, a game that is always a battle from the beginning to the end.

The Homecoming Dance will be held in the Student Center, beginning at 9:00 and extending through the evening until 12:00 midnight.

ALUMNI Here 'n There

William D. (Don) Sibley, B. S. '53, is serving as Field Scout Executive with the Norwela Council, Boy Scouts of America, in Shreveport. He and Mrs. Sibley, the former Dorothy Taylor, A. B. '51, are living at 2755 Amherst Street.

In a recent note, Don stated that he was eager to receive the Alumni Columns in order to keep up with some of his classmates and friends.

Mrs. Melba Campbell Johnson, A. B. '46, has recently moved from Lubbock, Texas, to 3962 Valentine, Fort Worth. Her husband, Johnny Johnson, recently started work with the engineering department of Consolidated Aircraft, and they expect to make their permanent home

in Ft. Worth. She is interested in meeting other NSC alumni in Ft. Worth.

Mrs. Robert T. Osborn, the former Dorothy Hurley of Minden, A. B. '18, has recently moved to 1922 Ward Street, Durham, North Carolina. Having moved from New Jersey, Mrs. Osborn states that she is enjoying the good old Southland and the warm climate.

Mr. Osborn is instructor in the Department of Religion at Duke University.

Mrs. C. O. Bingham, 7835 Jefferson Highway, Baton Rouge, the former Elfa Fontenot, A. B. '32, writes: "Since I saw a copy of ALUMNI COLUMNS some time ago and realized that such a welcome leaflet was being published, I have thought of writing you to ask that my name be placed on the mailing list . . . Life membership in the alumni association was my father's gift to me when I graduated."

Incidentally, Mrs. Bingham's father, Mr. Y. L. Fontenot, will be remembered by his many friends as a former president of the Alumni Association. He also served as purchasing agent here at the college, and was later President of Southeastern Louisiana College in Hammond.

Miss Patricia Ann Hankins, A. B. '54, of Bastrop, has been appointed assistant in the circulation department of the library at Louis-

iana State University. Miss Hankins will continue her work toward a graduate degree while working at L. S. U.

Mrs. Thelma Bishop Blalock, A. B. '41, has assumed the duties of welfare visitor with the Rapid Department of Public Welfare. She taught at Chestnut and at Baton High in Alexandria before accepting her present position.

Mrs. Blalock and her husband, John H. Blalock, ex-'39, reside 1412 Horseshoe Drive in Alexandria. They have six children.

Miss Louise Hanchey, B. S. '5 of Route 2, Lake Charles, is busy engaged these days in sharing philosophy of homemaking, indicated in the title of her five-day-a-week television show, "Cooking Is Fun," on KTAG-TV, Channel 25, from 1:00 to 1:45 P. M. Her partner on the show is Marie Laborde of Marksville, an S graduate.

The United Gas-employed girls when not "cooking with gas" in the studio kitchen, are to be found giving school and dealer demonstrations or making home calls a number of southwest Louisiana towns, including DeQuincy, D Ridder, Crowley, Jennings, Rayne, Opelousas, etc.

"Our show isn't just a title they will tell you. "Cooking is fun—on the air or in the home."

Miss Betty Jo Jackson, 1401 M Arthur Street, Mansfield, B. S. '4 has recently accepted a position as welfare visitor with the DeSoto Parish Department of Public Welfare. Prior to accepting this position, Miss Jackson taught and assisted in job placements at Shreveport Business School.

Mr. Jack Gaston, B. S. '52, formerly of El Dorado, Arkansas, now living at 2405 S. Vern Dallas 24, Texas. He is working in the V. A. Hospital in Dallas in the Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Department. In a recent letter to Mr. Hal Townsend, Gaston explained the type of work he is doing in rehabilitating patients.

Incidentally, a recent patient of his is Felix Martin. Many of you will remember Felix who served as janitor in Caldwell Hall until a stroke forced him to resign about one year ago. Felix used to work with Dr. C. C. Stroud in the days when "Doc" was active in the college as head of the Health and Physical Education Department.

Gaston and his wife, the former Marilyn Finley, B. S. '50, of Shreveport, state they are both

HEADED FOR THE SIDE LINE



An Oklahoma Broncho is lassoed by Jerry Epperson as he is being forced out of bounds on a wide end sweep. On a third down try, Epperson stopped the play that needed more than 10 yards for a first down.

esome for NSC and hope to re-
n to the campus soon.

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Mr. Guy Nesom, Head of the
Health and Physical Education De-
partment at NSC, is away on leave
this year. He is attending Pea-
dy College and working on his
doctorate in his major field.

Mr. Nesom stated that he is
teaching three periods a day at
the Demonstration Swimming
Pool, and that Mrs. Nesom is
teaching two classes a day in Eng-
lish. The children are in school
too, so it looks as if the entire
family is busily engaged in the
business of education.

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Mrs. Roy C. Jones, the former
Miss Lou Farrow, A. B. '47, of
Monroe, is now living at 1037
Lamar Lane, Grand Prairie, Tex-
as. She is employed in the Pay-
master's Office at Chance Vought
Aircraft, Inc., Dallas, Texas, as
stenographer.

Mrs. Jones has two children,
Carolyn, age 3, and Curtis, age 2.

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Dr. Malcolm P. (Mike) Russell,
B. S. '49, of Natchitoches, has
begun the practice of medicine in
Marthaville this year. Dr. Russell,
who received his M. D. Degree
from Tulane University in 1953,
and Mrs. Russell, the former Mar-
ion Stovall, B. S. '49, are making
their home in Marthaville.

The Russells have a young son,

Michael William, who was born
on April 21 at St. Mary's Hospital,
Saginaw, Michigan. Dr. Russell
completed his internship at St.
Mary's Hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Anderson,
B. S. '50, are now living at 2918
Sunny Brook Avenue, Shreveport.
They are the proud parents of a
young daughter, Karen Marie,
born June 30. The mother is the
former Margaret Bergeron, ex '48,
of New Orleans. The Andersons
have two other children, Linden,
4, and Ronnie, 3 years old.

Mr. Anderson is a member of
the faculty of Broadmoor Junior
High School.

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Speaking of babies, we must add
these two items that were crowded
out of the last issue.

Mr. and Mrs. James G. Bowen
of DeRidder welcomed the arrival
of James Gordon Bowen, Jr., on
March 31. The mother is the for-
mer Carolyn Glover, B. S. '48, of
Winnsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Uhrbach,
B. S. '51, are the proud parents of
a daughter, Mary Jean, who ar-
rived on July 12. Mrs. Uhrbach
is the former Beatrice "Bea" Brus-
cato, former student of Monroe.
Mr. Uhrbach is employed in the
Sheriff's Office in Natchitoches.

FOOTBALL

DEMONS WIN FOUR

Unleashing a power-laden at-
tack when necessary, and sporting
a fairly rugged defense, the De-
mons have come out on the top
side of the scoring column in each
of their first four games of the
season. In these contests the De-
mons have piled up a total of 75
points while the opposition was
scoring 39 points.

Two of the games played this
season have been against confer-
ence opponents while the other
two have been non-conference. The
Demons have fared equally well
against conference and non-con-
ference opposition. In conference
play they have a margin of 38-20,
and in non-conference games the
margin is 37-19.

The opening game between the
Demons and Central Oklahoma
State resulted in a score of 15-6,
the Demons earning their 15 points
by a field goal and two touch-
downs. Lamar Tech was stopped
22-13 on their home field at Beau-
mont. Again the Demons kicked
a field goal while adding three
touchdowns to complete their scor-
ing.

McNeese State Cowboys got a
taste of Demon power and drive
as the Demons piled up 26 points
in the first 18 minutes of the game.
They, in turn, came back with 20
points of their own before the
Demons could muster another
touchdown in the final quarter.
The final score was 32-20.

The Louisiana College Wildcats
were either keyed up for their
game with the Demons, which they
usually are, or else the Demons

were a little flat. The Demons
nosed out the Wildcats by the mar-
gin of one touchdown, with the
score reading 6-0 at the end of the
game.

DEMONS WEAK ON EXTRA POINTS

Out of 11 tries for extra point
this season, the Demons have been
successful in making only three.
On the contrary, they have kicked
two of three field goal attempts.

The Demons have depended
largely on ground plays for most
of their gains, many of which have
been long runs. In the Louisiana
College game the Demons tried one
forward pass which was intercept-
ed. In pass interceptions, however,
the Demons lead the conference.
Lockwood has three to his credit,
Carr has two, and other Demons
have one each, the latest being
Downing with one against the
Wildcats.

WALTON LEADS OFFENSE

Searle Walton leads the offense
with a total of 265 yards in 48
attempts. He leads Marino of
Southeastern by 25 yards. Walton
is followed in offense for the De-
mons by McNew, Millen, Chesson,
Bates and Purser. The Demons
rank second to Southeastern on of-
fense in the G. S. C., and rank
third in defense.

FOUR MORE CONFERENCE GAMES

Following the game this week
with Southeastern Oklahoma State,
the Demons meet Louisiana Tech,
Northeast State, Southwestern, and
Southeastern to complete their con-
ference schedule. The outcome of
these games, and some of them
promise to be extremely rugged,
will determine the Demons'
chances for a top berth in the Gulf
States Conference.



A Louisiana College Wildcat is being tackled by Jack Bice after an unidentified player made the initial block. Rushing in to assist Bice are Epperson (55) and Lockwood (60). The Wildcats gained a net yardage of less than 10 yards in the first half and less than 100 yards during the entire game.

CADET WILLIAM EDWARDS



Naval Aviation Cadet William F. Edwards of Many has qualified as a carrier pilot in the U. S. Navy at Pensacola, Florida. After completing his landings on the USS Monterey, Edwards, a former student at the College, widely known as "Peddler" Edwards, will receive instruction in instrument flying as his next step in earning his Navy "Wings of Gold."

Cupid's Doings

Miss Betty Joyce Heath of San Antonio, Texas, and JACK DILLON COBB, ex '54, of Shreveport, were married August 28 at Beacon Hill Baptist Church, San Antonio, with the Rev. Roy W. Owens of Parker, Arizona, officiating.

The young couple reside in San Antonio. The groom is a Physical Training Instructor at Lackland Air Force Base.

Miss PEGGY ANN TRICHEL, former student, of Campti, and ROBERT ROOSEVELT VOORHEES, B. S. '52, of Monroe, were married at the Church of the Nativity on August 29, with the Rev. Cyril Therres, O. P., officiating.

Miss WANDA LEE WRIGHT, B. S. '53, of Many, and Mr. Joseph M. Petty, also of Many, were united in marriage in the First Baptist Church of Many, on June 12, with the Rev. W. H. Rose officiating. The Pettys now reside at 315 Helen Street, Lake Charles, where the bride is a member of the Marion High School faculty.

Miss MILDRED LAVERN MORRISON, former student of Shreveport, and Bobby Jearl Clinton, also of Shreveport, were married in the chapel of the First Methodist Church, Shreveport, on June 25, with Rev. James E. Renfro of Hot Springs, Ark., officiating. The

young couple will make their home in Shreveport, where the groom is employed by a local gas company.

Miss MARGARET TOWNSEND of Natchitoches and GLYNDELL EBARR of Zwolle, both students at the College, were married at the Trinity Episcopal Church of Natchitoches on August 14. They are residing in Natchitoches, and both the bride and groom are continuing their studies at the College.

Miss CAROLYN CLEMENTS of Vivian, and DELTON RUDOLPH BRADY of Atlanta, both students at the College, were married in the Vivian Methodist Church on June 11. They are residing in Natchitoches and continuing their work in college. The bride and groom will both receive their degrees in June, 1955.

Miss Martha Jane Ivey of Benton, and GEORGE NEAL GRAMMER, B. S. '52, also of Benton, were united in marriage on August 14 at the Methodist Church in Benton. The young couple are residing in Baton Rouge.

Miss Grace DiBiase and LUCIAN SPATARO, A. B. '53, of Bossier City, were married on August 21 at Naval Base Chapel, Portsmouth, New Hampshire. The young couple are living in Portsmouth, where the groom is stationed while serving in the U. S. Navy.

Miss FRANCES RUTH BREEDLOVE, ex '45, of Natchitoches, and LOUIS FAIR HYAMS, JR., B. S. '54, also of Natchitoches, were united in marriage at the Church of The Immaculate Conception on June 5. The young couple reside in Natchitoches, where the groom is employed.

Miss BLANCHE MILLER of Rayville, and Dr. John C. Calhoun, also of Rayville, were married at the home of the bride on Francis Street, Rayville, on September 4, with Dr. John F. Kilpatrick officiating. Dr. and Mrs. Calhoun will live on Spencer Street, Rayville. The bride has been serving as Supervisor of Richland Parish Schools for several years.

Miss Agnes Ann Phillips of Many, and BILLY WADE COLLINS-WORTH, senior at the College from Bryceland, were married at the First Baptist Church of Many on September 4, with the Rev. William H. Rose officiating. The young couple are living in Natchitoches, where the groom is continuing his work in college.

ENSIGN HARDY ROSE



Ensign Hardy N. Rose of 1548 Elizabeth Street, Shreveport, former student, recently qualified as a carrier pilot after six landings aboard the light aircraft carrier USS Monterey. He will earn his Navy "Wings of Gold" after completing a course of instruction in instrument flying at the Corry Field U. S. Naval Auxiliary Air Station at Pensacola.

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Miss DOROTHY LYNN THOMPSON, A.B. '53, of Sikes, and Mr. James Olin Mills, Jr., of Springhill, were married in the Central Baptist Church of Springhill on June 12, with Rev. Dean Elkins, pastor, officiating. They are making their home in Springhill, where the groom is a pharmacist and the bride is a member of the Springhill Elementary School faculty.

PLEASE!

STOP - LOOK - ACT
Have You Made Your Reservation
For The
Alumni Luncheon?

Cut Out and Mail Today

Mr. Leroy S. Miller
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I shall be at the Homecoming on Saturday, November 13, and would like to reserve _____ tickets for the Alumni Luncheon in the Main Dining Hall. The following people will come with me:

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